

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 241

By Hood

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Brenda Gregory upon being named Siegel High School Teacher of the Year and Rutherford County Secondary System Level Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Brenda Gregory is one such estimable educator who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Gregory has recently been selected as Teacher of the Year for the Secondary System Level of Rutherford County Schools, as well as for Siegel High School, honors most befitting her outstanding tenure as a teacher, as they recognize the positive influence she has had on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Gregory received her Bachelor and Master degrees in Music from Middle Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, Brenda Gregory has taught with Rutherford County Schools for an exemplary twenty years and is the choral director for Siegel High; she has also served as choral director at Oakland High School; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure at Oakland High School, she taught Nashville Star winner Chris Young and directed the choir twice in performances at New York's Carnegie Hall; and

WHEREAS, Brenda Gregory is grateful for the love and support she has received from her husband, Philip Gregory, who is the band director at Siegel Middle School; and

WHEREAS, she is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Gregory counts her greatest educational achievement to be watching former students continue to sing in college, at church, or in community theater productions; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Brenda Gregory truly serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, she truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Brenda Gregory upon being chosen Siegel High School Teacher of the Year and Rutherford County Secondary System Level Teacher of the Year, commend her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.